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SUBJECT:W/W CROSSROADS AFRICA GROUP

REF: GREGORY/ACKENBOM TELECON 9/7/76

1. DIRECTOR CROSSROADS AFRICA GROUP MOSES THOMPSON ADVISED DEPARTMENT HE HAS BEEN IN CONTACT WITH EMBASSY AND UNDERSTANDS MS. GREGORY ATTEMPTING ARRANGE FOR EAST AFRICA AIRWAYS TO SPONSOR TRANSPORTATION FOR ALEXANDER, GILBERT, AND HUMPHREY TO PARIS WHERE THEY WILL TAKE CHARTER FLIGHT TO U.S.

2. THOMPSON HAS GIVEN ALTERNATIVE TO EAST AFRICA ARRANGEMENT IF THAT FAILS. GROUP SHOULD GO TO NUS REPEAT NUS TRAVEL OFFICE AT VICTORIA STATION (BELIEVED TO BE AT PLATFORM 13) TO ARRANGE FLIGHT ON DAN AIR OR SKYWAYS TO PARIS, ARRIVING BEFORE REPEAT BEFORE 3:30 P.M. SEPTEMBER 8. THIS WOULD REQUIRE REPATRIATION LOAN WHICH DEPARTMENT PREPARED TO AUTHORIZE, CROSSROADS AFRICA GUARANTEEING REPAYMENT.

3. IN PARIS, GROUP SHOULD IMMEDIATELY TELEPHONE MS. JOYCE ANDREWS AT CIEE REPEAT CIEE OFFICE, 49 RUE PIERRE CHARRON, UNCLASSIFIED

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METRO STATION F.D. ROOSEVELT, IN AMERICAN LEGION HALL,

TELEPHONE 225-6600. MS. ANDREWS WILL MAKE FINAL ARRANGE-

MENTS FOR THEM TO DEPART PARIS FROM LE BOURGET AIRPORT
ON TIA REPEAT TIA CHARTER NUMBER TV 60697 AT 9:30 A.M.
SEPTEMBER 9, ARRIVING NEW YORK AT 1:30 P.M. SAME DATE.
CHECK IN TIME AT LE BOURGET IS 7:30 A.M.

4. FOR PARIS. THIS GROUP MISSED FLIGHT FROM NAIROBI
AND CONNECTING CHARTER FROM FRANKFURT THROUGH APPARENT
FAULT OF AIRLINES. CROSSROADS AFRICA HEADQUARTERS IN
NEW YORK HAS VERBALLY AGREED TO GUARANTEE ALL MINIMUM
EXPENSES IN THEIR RETURN TO NEW YORK. DEPARTMENT DOES
NOT ANTICIPATE NEED FOR EMBASSY ASSISTANCE BUT POST
SHOULD BE READY TO AID GROUP IF THAT BECOMES NECESSARY.
ROBINSON

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